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EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: BX KS KN  
SUBJ: KOREAN REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON BOTSWANA

REF: 1976 GABORONE 2182

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED CURRENT STATE OF PLAY OF ROK RELATIONS WITH AFRICA WITH EAST AFRICA DIVISION CHIEFMAN SOK-CHIN WHO REQUESTED INFORMATION ON CURRENT SITUATION IN BOTSWANA. HAN SAYS MOFA HAS HAD NO NEWS FROM BOTSWANA SINCE PRESIDENT KHAMA'S AUGUST 1976 TRIP TO PYONGYANG AND WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER NORTH KOREA HAS MADE NOTICEABLE DIPLOMATIC PROGRESS SINCE THEN, AND WHETHER SOJURN OF TAEKWANDO INSTRUCTORS (REFTEL) CONSTITUTES EXTENT OF NORTH KOREAN AID.

2. HAN SAYS HE IS PRESENTLY CONSIDERING RECOMMENDING A "HIGH LEVEL" (AFRICA BASED) DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO BOTSWANA, POSSIBLY FOLLOWED BY GRANT OR TECHNICAL AID, BUT LACKING INFORMATION HAS DIFFICULTY GAUGING LIKELY EFFECT OF SUCH MOVES EITHER ON BOTSWANA'S U.N. VOTE THIS YEAR, OR ON LONG TERM ROK-BOTSWANA RELATIONS.  
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